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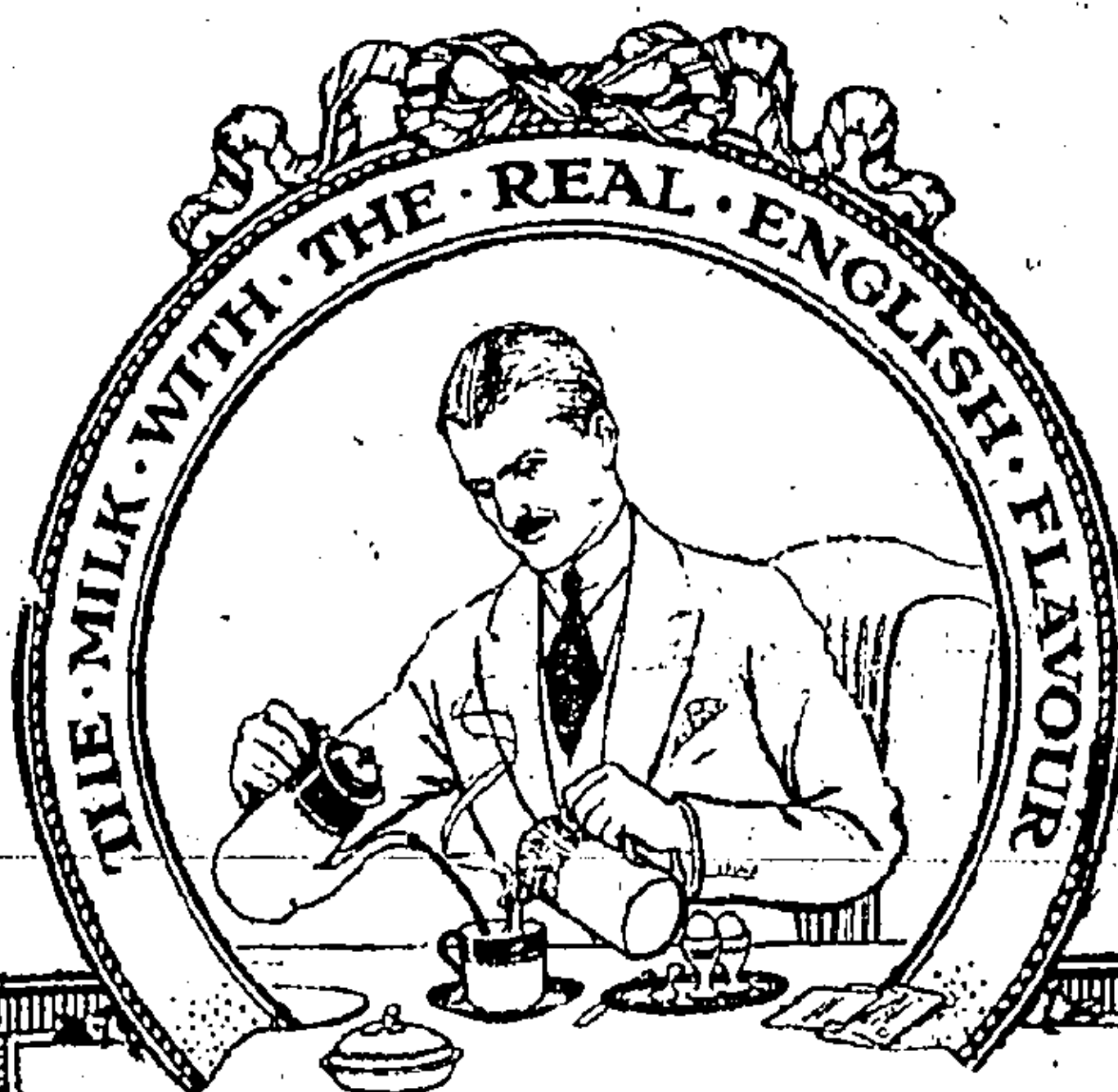
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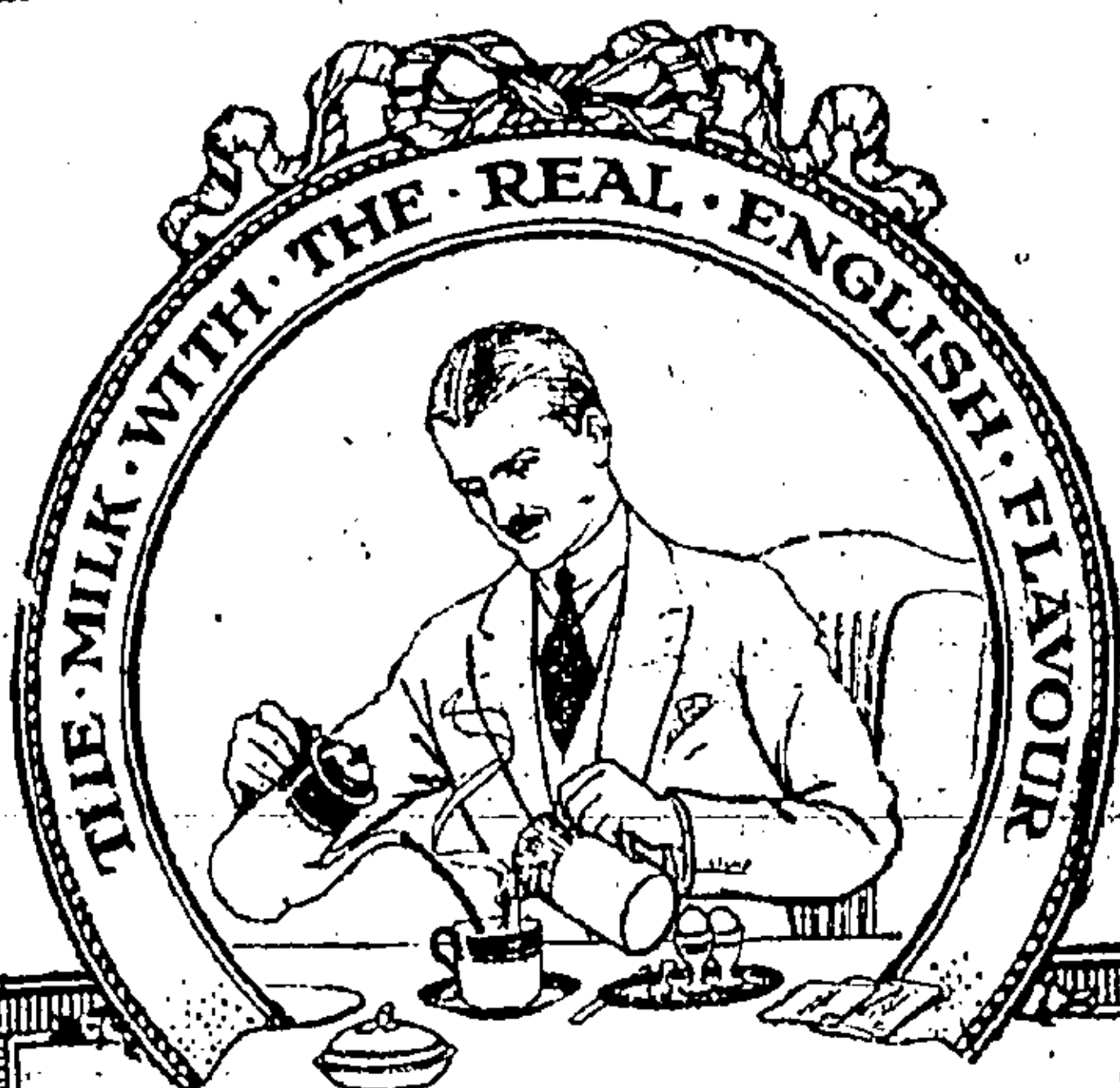
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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, July 20, 1923.

HM Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

FRIDAY, July 27, 1923,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture,
Comprising:

Brass and brass mounted bedsteads,
Teak bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing
Tables.

Marble top washstands, etc., etc.

Dining Tables and chairs, Chester-
field Chairs, Couches, etc., etc.

Also
One Cottage Piano by "Collard and
Colvard."

One Cottage Piano.
One Victor Victrola.
One Gramophone.

Three Cameras.

And
Two Ceiling Fans.

Catalogues will be issued.

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, July 24, 1923.

ON
FRIDAY, July 27, 1923,
commencing at 5.15 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Valuable Collection of
Postage Stamps
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

On View from Wednesday, the 25th
July 1923.

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Hongkong, July 21, 1923.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs
on the 1st July 1923—

OTY and HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS
LEVEL.

1922. 1923.

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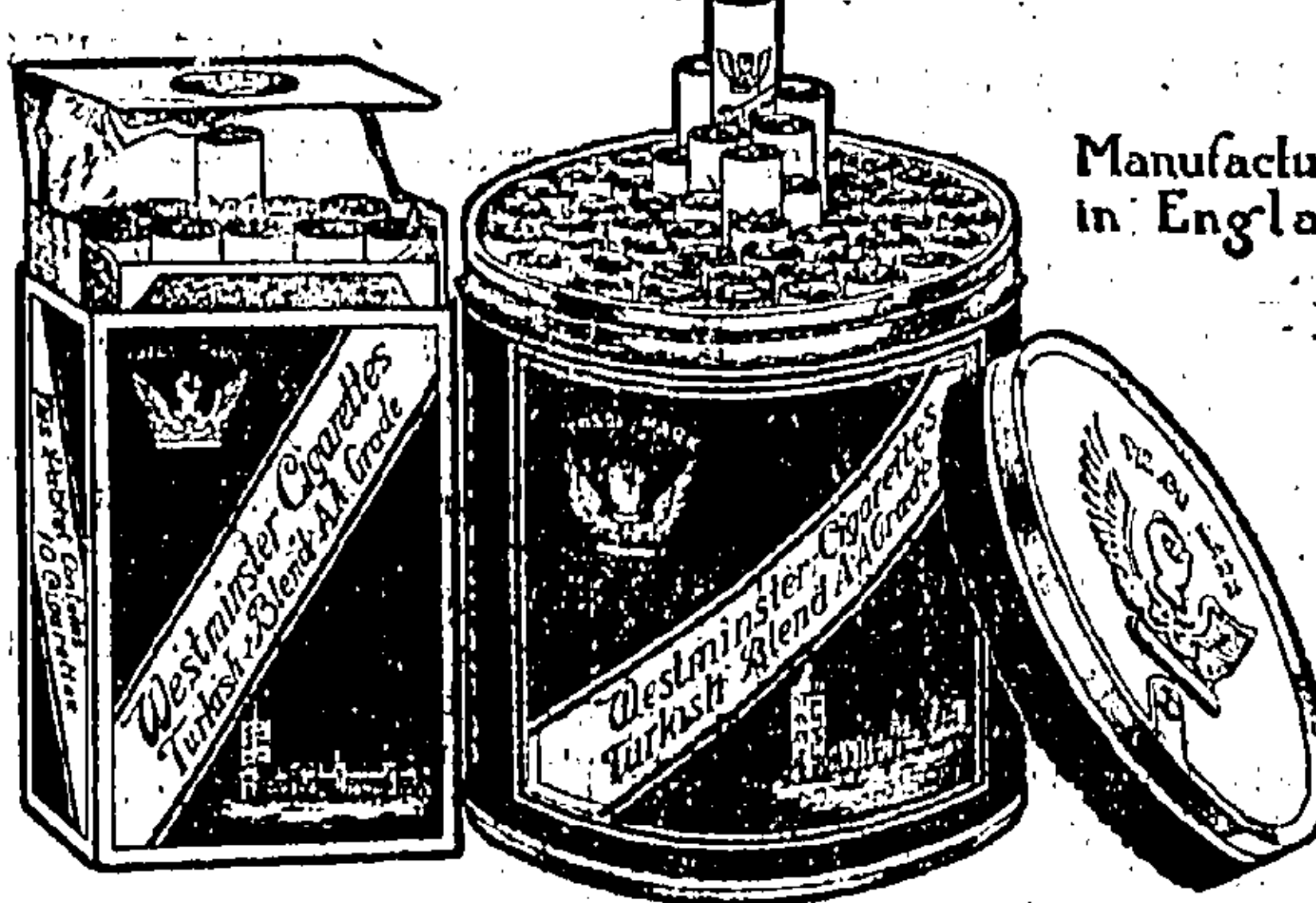
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Turkish Cigarettes
of exceptional quality
manufactured from the
finest selected tobacco
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Tobacco
Co. Ltd.
London

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ODDS AND ENDS.**MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.****2 1/2d. Becomes £134.**

Leaving home with 2 1/2d., an un-
employed shipyard worker at
Monkwearmouth borrowed another
halfpenny from a friend to buy a
drink. On second thoughts he
decided to forgo the beer and have
a gamble instead. Borrowing three-
pence more, he picked out six
horses, and, placing shillings on
the first, instructed the bookmaker
that all accumulations were to go on
to the remaining five. Every horse
won, and his winnings totalled
£134. The bookie paid out prompt-
ly next day, and the lucky fellow's
first act was to give a £5 note to the
pal who lent him the halfpenny.

Four Miles a Minute.

The Air Ministry's offer to pur-
chase the winning aircraft in
both the Aerial Derby and the
Schneider Cup races for seaplanes,
should they be British, has resulted
in the designing of several new
racing aeroplanes which are ex-
pected to reach phenomenal
speeds. Last year at Napier the
British Machine, the Napier super-
marine, created a world's record
for sea-going aircraft with a speed
of approximately 150 miles an hour,
but this year's British machines are
expected to attain a speed of 200
miles an hour, while the land
machines for the Aerial Derby will
be capable of a speed of 250 miles
an hour, or more than four miles
a minute.

Messages from Spirits.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle declares
that he has received from Lord
Northcliffe's spirit a message to
the effect that only a wave of
spiritual reform can save the
world from a catastrophe which
would make the world
war seem to be insignificant. Sir
Arthur quotes Lord Northcliffe's
spirit as saying:—"The American
people are too busy. That was the
mistake which I made in my life-
time. I was too busy, but I under-
stand now that wisdom is lost in
the scramble for material progress.
Sir Arthur asserts that other spirits
have warned him that the world is
approaching a terrible catastrophe,
probably a natural disturbance
which will engulf continents.

Mother's Fight for Home.

Ordered suddenly by the
arbitrary Dwellings Department
to quit her one-roomed home in
Vienna with her two young chil-
dren, the wife of a sleeping-car
attendant, in the absence of her
husband, defied officials and police.
She barricaded the door and threat-
ened to throw herself and children
from the third-floor window. The
fire brigade were summoned,
jumping-cloths were held under
the window, ladders were erected,
and when the woman surrendered,
exhausted by hysteria, there were
80 firemen and police in the street
and thousands of spectators. She
has been fined for the defiance of
authority, but another and better
home has been found for the
family.

M.P.'s Poetic Bond.

How the late "Father of the
House of Commons," Mr. Thomas
Burt, who was for 44 years the
Liberal member for Morpeth, used
to recite passages from Words-
worth to pass away dreary moments
in Parliament was disclosed by Sir
Arthur H. D. Acland, presiding at
a meeting of the English Associa-
tion at Bedford College. Sir
Arthur told of the poetic com-
munion which existed between Mr.
Burt, Viscount Grey, and himself,
and how they recited Wordsworth
in the corridor near the House of
Commons Library. Viscount Grey
of Fallodon, in an address on
Wordsworth's Prelude, spoke of
the help he derived from Words-
worth when he was at the Foreign
Office, and remarked that if Words-
worth's words about "men who for
their desperate deeds have plucked
up mercy by the root" had been
hung in the room where Cabinets
met, England and France would
have been saved millions of pounds
in trying to crush the Bolshevik
revolution in Russia.

Solomon's Wisdom.

Discussions between Solomon
and the Queen of Sheba were not
always of a serious nature. On one
occasion Queen Balkis resolved
to test the wisdom of the King.
Legend has made that test more
picturesque than severe. The
Queen's little examination was
delightfully feminine, and may
have been easy on account of her
desire to obtain correct answers.
It would have been embarrassing
to catch a wise man napping after
she had taken a long journey with
the idea of discovering infallibil-
ity. The Queen of Sheba
dressed a number of girls and
boys in precisely the same robes,
and desired the King to tell her
which were girls and which were
boys. Solomon ordered
basins of water to be brought. The
girls dipped their hands into the
water without hesitation, while the
boys demurely turned back their
sleeves before attempting an ablu-
tion. Thus Solomon easily dis-
tinguished between the sexes. The
Queen asked the King to tell her
which were bouquets of flowers,
and which were artificial blossoms.
Solomon ordered a window to be
opened, and immediately bees
came in and settled upon the real
flowers, and once again the King
solved a pretty, if none too difficult,
riddle.

Meals For 4,500.

The enlarged Corner House in
Coventry-street, W., stated to be
the world's biggest restaurant, has
been opened to the public by Messrs.
J. Lyons and Co., Ltd.

The original Corner House has
grown into a palatial establishment
of 5 floors, each covering 250 square
feet, where 4,500 people can be
served at the same time with any-
thing from a cup of tea to a full-
course dinner with wine.

The ground floor, decorated in
the Louis XIV. style, contains
a chocolate salon with attendants
in emerald green crepe-de-chine
dresses and old-gold aprons, a soda

fountain, an oyster bar, and a
snack counter.

On each floor there are two
bands. One is the Paul Specht's
orchestra from the United States,
which commands a fee of £350 a
week, and another is Miss Margaret
Holloway's orchestra of 30 women.
Filtered air, cooled or heated
as circumstances require, is a
feature of the ventilation system,
which has been designed to ensure
a complete change of air 15 times
an hour. A circulating system of
freezing brine is laid on to the
kitchens so as to ensure the perfect
refrigeration of foods which have
to be cooled.

The *café de petit repas* makes
a special appeal to women shop-
ping in the West End, providing
them with dainty savouries such as
lobster patties, prawn in aspic and
galantines at low prices.

Ears Fashionable.

Hair having receded from its
position of guard over the ears to
occupy a more reserved if less pro-
tective place on the back of the
neck ears have become fashionable.
A permanent wave of earrings
(Lois Palmer writes in the *New
York Herald*) is an inevitable
sequel to the ear drums
of *la mode*. And such a
difference as those same earrings
make in the face of the day! On
a rainy Monday, when you hate to
think of work, you see the peppy
office girl in her suit of blue tulle
and her little blue tulle turban;
blue, yes, but oh, what a back-
ground it is for those friendly,
cheerful circles of jade, carnelian,
or coral that protect her ears from
the elements! Pretty pieces of
colour swinging through the rain
drops—"blue" Monday fades as a
mirage. Or perhaps the thermome-
ter takes a sudden slide on the
downward path. You bundle up in
your fur coat and goggles, as you
dash along in the cold, biting
wind if you don't draw your head
too far down into your turned
coat collar, you will see Miss
Steno, bright-eyed and happy in
her new Egyptian print, depend-
ing chiefly on delicate, swaying
hoops of gold or silver filigree to
keep her from taking cold. If she
seems to have a dreamy, far-away
look in her eyes it's ten to one she
is planning an evening costume—
shall she wear antique garnet drops
with a frock of dull duvetine, de-
licate confections of crystals, or
pearls with a pale pink chiffon, or
would Ed. like her ears better in
something that seemed akin to the
ornamentation on French pastry? She
must have earrings to match every
mood, to blend or contrast
with every costume. Earrings for
daytime, different ones for even-
ing, others for certain necklaces or
strings of beads, and yet others to
bring out the colour of her eyes or
enhance the pallor of her skin.

Cramp Collie.

No need of suffering from cramps
in the stomach or intestines, says Cham-
berlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy,
never fails to relieve the most severe
cases. Got it to-day, there will be no
time to send for it after the attack comes
on. For sale by all Chemists and Store-
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INTIMATIONS.

FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

At 1.05 p.m., on the 10th July, 1923, whilst Mr. SHAM TSZE LEUNG, Superintendent of the Chinese Telegraph Administration in Hongkong, was entering his car outside the Telegraph Office, Hongkong, one of three unknown persons discharged shots from a revolver or pistol at him causing injuries which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital. The assailants dropped one revolver a short distance from the scene of the shooting and made good their escape.

It is hereby notified that a reward of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) will be paid by the undersigned to any person giving information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the culprit or culprits.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police,
Hongkong, 24th July, 1923.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE DOLLAR per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1923, will be PAYABLE on WEDNESDAY, 28th AUGUST, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 26th July to Wednesday, 28th August, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, July 10, 1923.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of six dollars per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1923, will be payable on TUESDAY, July 24th on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, July 23, 1923.

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APIOL-STEEL
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A French Remedy for all kinds of Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Arthritis, Sciatica, Neuralgia, etc. It is a powerful blood purifier and muscle relaxant. It is the only remedy that gives permanent relief. It is sold in bottles of 10 and 20 pills. Price 1/6 and 2/6 respectively. Write for full particulars to Martin's, 21, Wellington St., Hongkong.

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TO LET.—European flats in Lee Building, Wanchai Gap Road. Apply to 32 Kennedy Road.

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Panama Hats, Felt Hats, Straw Hats and all kinds of Hats.

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No. 80, Wellington Street.

HEROIC WIFE.
GOES DOWN IN WRECK WITH SKIPPER.

A story of shipwreck heroism and privations is told by the *Malabar Herald* in the last issue to reach England. The barquentine "Any Turner" left an Australian port for Manila, Philippines, late in March. Not far from the Isle of Yap it was wrecked in a typhoon. The skipper, his young wife beside him, went down with his ship, he and she standing together on the poop and refusing to get into a boat. Their last words were to warn those in the boat to keep clear of the sinking vessel. Eight of the crew went down with them.

The four others kept their boat afloat and tried to make sail for the Philippines. But the wind as often as not was against them, and they had to take long spells at the oars. The small craft became leaky and shipped water. The men, now too exhausted to row, had to bail day and night, taking turn and turn about. On the fourteenth day of this they caught a dolphin and for

some days ate its flesh raw to preserve their small residue of tinned meat.

Their water came to an end. But in time some rain fell and they gathered a little. This was the twenty-sixth day of drift and of slow sailing on the ocean. They had but one morsel of meat, and their biscuits had given out. They took to the oars in a final effort and a light wind helped them slightly. Next morning they sighted land. It was Mindanao in the Philippines. They had covered 1,000 miles in an open boat in 27 days. One of the four is a Liverpool man, Cornelius Tracey.

SHE WAS TOO WISE.

George and Tom had each been married three months, and were comparing notes as to matrimony. George was still very much in love with his wife, and soon began sounding her praises. "She's a perfect angel!" he raved. "Why, I don't believe she could tell me to save her life." His friend eyed him sadly. "You're lucky," he said with a sigh. "My wife can tell a lie the instant I get it out of my mouth."

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Unemployed persons recorded on June 4 in Great Britain numbered 1,187,000, 34,340 fewer than in the preceding week.

General Stanislas Haller has been appointed Polish Chief of Staff in succession to Marshal Pilsudski, who has resigned.

The bodies of a young married woman, Mrs. McIntosh, and her infant daughter were found floating in the sea at Leith.

The Wintestoke Gardens, designed to beautify Ramsgate's east cliff, will be opened by the donor, Dame Janet Stancomb-Wills.

The alleged gold deposits in Labrador are the subject of a report of the Canadian geological survey, which declares that the chances that rich deposits exist is very remote.

The surcharge on the members of Poplar Borough Council, in respect of high wages paid to Council employees, has been reduced to £5,000 as the result of a recent inquiry.

The Pennsylvania Railroad system has granted an increase of wages to approximately 112,000 employees, necessitating an additional annual expenditure of £1,700,000.

George Albert Robertson, who was arrested after a police search in a motor-car, was remanded at Canterbury on a charge of burglary at Herne Bay railway station.

The accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for 1922 show that the cost of the home light-houses was £1,012,768 and of those abroad £41,744, while there was a favourable balance of £131,675.

An old woman of 95 applied at Willesden for a summons against a grand-daughter who, she said, wanted to turn her out of her room. The magistrate asked the court missionary to make inquiries.

The Norwegian national paper-workers' organisation has accepted the arbitrator's application for a postponement of the stoppage in sympathy with the timber floaters' strike.

Polytechnic students covered the head of the statue of King George III. in Cockspur-street, S.W., with a jockey's cap of paper, placed a dandelion, carrot, before the horse's nose, and labelled the animal "Town Guard."

The Soviet military attaché at Helsinki has been handed his passport by the Finnish Government, following his political activities in Finland, which include the alleged preparation of plans for a Communist uprising.

Sir Hugh Clifford, Governor of Nigeria, stated at a meeting at the Student Movement House, Russell-square, W.C., that the King has granted a new Constitution for Nigeria similar to that on the Gold Coast.

At Liverpool, Ah Yow, a Chinese, who, the police alleged, had been trading in opium, was fined £45 and recommended for deportation for permitting a house in Pitt-street, Liverpool, to be used for opium smoking.

Sir Herbert Samuel, the High Commissioner for Palestine, is about to start on a tour of inspection of Northern Palestine, and will also make an unofficial tour, accompanied by a French liaison officer, of French territory up to the source of the Jordan.

Mrs. Isabella Wright, wife of Frederick Wright, tailor, Mulberry-street, was remanded at Ayr on a charge of murdering her two children, aged 13 and 9. Mother and children were found unconscious from gas poisoning, and the mother recovered.

A London County Council committee has advised that the number of "flag day" collections should be considerably reduced and that permission should be given, after the most careful scrutiny, only to a few of the more important and best conducted charities.

Evidence has been given at Port Arthur, Canada, of agitators being at work to establish a Bolshevik republic in Canada; the revelations were made in an action by loyal Ukrainians who claimed that Bolshevik Ukrainians had secured their property by trickery.

The Knights of the Round Table Club, founded in 1720, paid their annual visit to Winchester, inspected the traditional Round Table of King Arthur, which hangs on the wall of the Great Hall of Winchester Castle, and were presented with a replica of the table.

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

	July 19, 1923.	1918.	1914.
Beef Sirloin, — Mel Lung Pa .. lb.	30	24	12
" Prime Cut	30	24	12
" Corned, — Ham Ngai Yuk ..	22	20	10
" Roast, — Shiu	24	22	10
" Breast, — Ngai Nam	26	20	10
" Sump, — Tong Yuk	28	22	10
" Steak, — Ngai Yuk Pa	30	24	12
" Steak Sirloin, — Ngai Lau ..	40	30	15
" Sausages, — Ngai Cheung ..	20	18	10
Salmon's Head, — Ngai No per set	12	10	5
Tongue, fresh, — Ngai Li each 60	50	40	20
Tongue, corned, — Ham Ngai Li	80	—	—
Head, — Ngai Tan, each 1.00	1.00	1.20	—
" Roast, — Ngai Sam, .. lb.	12	14	7
" Hump, Salt, — Ngai Kin, ..	20	18	9
" Feet, — Ngai Kank, each 12	10	12	6
" Kidneys, — Ngai Yiu, .. lb.	12	10	5
" — Ngai Mei,	24	20	10
" Liver, — Ngai Koon, .. lb.	18	15	7
" Tripe (dressed), Ngai To lb. 2	6	7	—
Salmon's Head and Feet, — Ngai-tai,	—	—	—
tan-kuk	1.00	1.00	—
Mutton Chop, — Yeung Pui Kwai lb.	40	26	12
" Leg, — Yeung Pui	40	26	12
" Shoulder, — Yeung Shau ..	38	24	10
" Saddle, — Yeung On Yuk ..	40	18	—
Pig's Chitterlings, — Chu Chong ..	36	25	12
" Brains, — Chu No, .. per set 3	22	12	—
" Feet, — Chu Kank, .. lb.	15	15	—
" Fry, — Chu Chap	40	18	—
" Head, — Chu Yiu	18	20	10
" Heart, — Chu Sam, .. each 12	10	10	5
" Kidneys, — Chu Yiu, .. each 12	10	8	—
" Liver, — Chu Kank, .. lb.	35	30	14
" Pork Chop, — Chu Pui Kwai ..	30	25	12
" Leg, — Chu Pui	32	27	13
" Loin, — Chu Hui Tan	18	—	—
" Fat or Lard, — Chu Yiu, ..	22	—	—
Sheep's Head and Feet, — Yeung	—	—	—
" Tan-kuk,	70	60	30
" Heart, — Yeung Sam, .. each 10	8	7	—
" Kidneys, — Yeung Yiu, .. each 15	12	10	—
" Liver, — Yeung Koon, .. lb.	40	25	12
" Sucking Pig, to order, — Chu Tai, ..	25	22	10
" Suet, Beef, — Shang Ngai Yiu, ..	28	20	10
" Mutton, — Shang Yeung Yiu, ..	40	28	14
" Veal, — Ngai Tai Yuk,	24	20	10
" Sausages, — Ngai Tai Cheung, ..	26	20	10
No. 1 .. lb. 50	—	—	—

Fish.

Barbel, — Ka Yu, lb.	26	19	8
Bream, — Pin Yu,	38	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish, —	—	—	—
Hol Sin Yu,	32	18	10
Carp, — Li Yu,	36	18	10
Outfish, — Chik Yu,	40	12	9
Godfish, — Man Yu,	38	20	10
Oreoch, — Hal,	24	12	8
Outside Fish, — Muk Yu, ..	45	16	2
Dab, — Sha Mang Yu,	45	22	15
Dace, — Wong Mei Lap,	18	10	9
Dog Fish, — Chi To Sha,	10	10	8
Kala, Conger, — Hol Man, ..	34	16	18
" Fresh water, — Tam Shui Yu, ..	34	20	18
" Yellow, — Wong Shu,	42	26	20
Frog, — Tin Kail,	60	22	25
Garoupa, — Shek Pan,	42	40	20
Gudgeon, — Pak Kap Yu,	16	18	15
Herring, — Tai Pak,	30	22	18
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Hap, ..	16	18	23
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu,	32	22	16
Loach, — Wu Yu,	52	22	24
Lobster, — Lung Yu,	40	22	21
Mackerel, — Chi Yu,	28	20	26
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu,	30	22	28
Mullet, — Tai Yu,	26	18	2
Oysters, — Shang Ho,	50	18	22
Parrot Fish, — Kai Kung Yu, ..	20	14	9
Parch, — Tai Lo,	28	20	15
Pike, — Fa Pau Fong,	10	16	9
Plat, — Pan Yu,	42	28	14
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Cheung, ..	46	26	20
Pomfret, White, — Pak Cheung, ..	48	28	20
Prayer, — Ming Ha,	60	38	45
Ray, — Fai Fa Sha,	10	10	14
Rock Fish, — Shek Kiu Kung, ..	18	12	16
Roach, — Chun Yu,	36	22	18
Salmon, — Ma Yu,	45	36	30
Shark, — Sha Yu,	10	8	10
Shake, — Po Yu,	18	10	10
Shrimps, — Ha,	42	28	25
Skipper, — Lap Yu,	68	32	30
Sole, — Tai Sha Yu,	35	28	26
Tench, — Wai Yu,	24	22	16
Tyrbok, — Tai Sha Yu,	30	18	22
Turbot, small, fresh water, ..	—	—	—
Kail Yu, 20	40	—	—

Poultry.

	July 19, 1923.	1918.	1914.
Chickens, — Kai,	70	30	21
Capon, Small, — Shu Kai, ..	60	28	20
Capon, Large, — Shu Kai, ..	65	28	20
Duck, — Ap,	45	22	23
Doves, — Pau Kau,	—	—	—
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan (fresh) per doz	28	16	—
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan (fresh) per doz	30	25	—
Fowls, Canton, — Kai,	12	7	—
Fowls, Hainan, — Hol Nam Kai, ..	60	28	—
Geese, — Ngo,	45	24	21
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kap, each	50	30	—
Hollow, — Hol Nam Pak Kap	30	22	—
Turkeys, Cook, — Fo Kai Kung lb.	55	30	—
Turkeys, Hen, — Fo Kai Na, ..	50	25	—
Salp, — Shu Tai,	—	—	—
Pheasant, — Shau Kai,	—	—	—
Quail, — On Onn,	—	—	—
Partridges, — Che Ko,	—	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds, — Hanr Yan,	lb. 65	35	—
Apples, (California), — Hanr Shan	Ping Ko,	30	24
Bananas, (India), — Hanr, ..	5	4	—
Cashew, — Yeung To,	—	12	—
Cocconuts, — Ye To,	each 11	10	10
Lemon, China, — Ling Mang, ..	lb. 12	7	—
Lemons, (America), — Hanr Shan	Ling Mang,	7	8
Lichees, Dried, (small stone), —	Lai Chi Kon lb.	30	25
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet, ..	—	32	—
Shan-sheng Tin Chang lb.	15	—	—
Oranges, Tin Chang,	—	22	—
Pears, (Canton), Cooking, — Shu Ei	10	—	—
Peanuts, — Fa Shang,	12	10	12
Portulaca, Large, — Hung Tao, ..	—	12	—
Plantain, — Tai Chiu,	4	2	—
Pineapple, — Tai Lo Yu,	each 12	18	—
Walnuts, — Hop To,	lb. 14	16	—
Grapes, — Po Tai Yu,	—	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes, — Ah Chi Chuk, ..	each	8	—
Beans, Sprout, — Nga Tuo, ..	b 4	7	—
" Long, — Tau Kok,	11	8	—
Beet Root, — Hung Tai Tau, ..	each 8	—	—
Bitter Squash, — Fu Kwa, ..	—	6	—
Bristles, Green, — Ching Yau Kwa, ..	6	5	—
" Red, — Hanr Kwa,	6	5	—
Cabbage Chinese, (common), —	—	—	—
Kai Tai,	8	5	13
(Shanghai), — Ye Tai,	14	12	—
Cauliflower, — Hanr Shun, ..	—	—	—
Cauliflower (Large), — Ye Tai Fa each	—	—	—
(Medium),	—	—	—
(Small),	—	—	—
Celery, — Hanr Shun,	lb 8	6	—
Celery Chinese, — Tong Han Tai, ..	8	10	—
Chillies, Dried, — Kon Lai Chia, ..	20	25	—
" Red, — Hung Fa Chia,	15	10	—
" Green, — Ching Lai Chia, ..	12	6	12
Curry Stuff, English, — Kai Li Chia	lb. 10	10	10
Cucumbers, — Ching Kwa,	each 3	2	—
Garlic, — Sun Tai,	lb. 6	8	—
Ginger, young, — Sun Tai Kung, ..	15	7	—
Ginger, old, — Lo Kung,	8	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai, — Lai Kan, ..	40	45	—
Indian Corn, — Shuk Mai,	each 7	6	—
Lettuce, — Yeung Shang Tai, .. lb.	1	1	—
Water Chestnuts, — Ma Tai, .. lb. 10	6	6	—
Mandarin, — Kwai,	—	—	—
Lam Ma,	10	8	—
Mushrooms, Fresh, — Shang Tai Kung	lb. 10	—	—
Okra, — Hanr Shun,	lb. 12	1	10
Onions, Bombay, — Yeung Chung Tai	lb. 10	8	—
Onions, Green, — Shang Chang, ..	lb. 10	4	6
Onions, Shanghai, — Shung-hoi	Chung Tai,	6	8
Parley, — Kun Tai,	20	60	—
Potato, Sweet, — Pan Shu,	4	2	—
" Japanese, — Yeh Pan Shu Tai lb.	7	3	—
" American, — Fa Ki Shu Tai lb.	7	8	10
Pumpkin, — Tung Kwa,	lb. 4	3	4
Radish, — Hung Lo Pak Tai, ..	4	6	—
Rhubarb (Fresh), — Tai Wong, ..	—	—	—
Shallots, — Kong Cheung Tai, ..	6	8	—

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 1933.

THAT NEAR EAST PAID.

Some people have a delightful faculty for ignoring the obvious when the obvious is unpleasant. They bury their heads in the sands of cheerful unconcern. For them the cloud is all silver. Every occasion, however doleful for others, makes them rejoice. They are not looking but good in all things. Life's little domestic concerns—christenings, weddings and even funerals—its great events like wars and peace conferences—all bear out the truth for them that everything is for the best in this best of all possible worlds. Surely among this happy band is the Swiss President. Making every allowance for the courtesy which was his duty to bestow upon guests within the gate—distinguished guests, he it said, who had spent much gold during their stay—allowing also for the sentimental feelings impending fireworks usually induced with the emotional, this gentleman yet claims our deepest respect for his sublime determination to see only the silver lining. Would that we could share his good cheer. Would that we could see that wisdom and that goodwill which he says have earned the Lausanne Conference the world's gratitude. Would that we could hope the Near East will now simmer down. But we can't. The Lausanne Conference has dragged out its weary course for more months than we care to recall. Even for a peace conference it has been singularly lacking in wisdom, woefully lacking in goodwill. Intrigue and crisis have been its chief features. More than once the negotiations have broken down completely, more than once war has seemed inevitable. Instead of healing existing wounds the conference has several times opened old scars afresh. Even now that the treaty, at long last, has finally been signed, trouble is still lurking round the

ever unpopular the terms are with the contracting parties, the peace treaty should at least stop the wars that have become a byword for the Near East. Taking Europe's disturbed condition to-day, that is a very big gain indeed.

Filipino Ferment.

The political unrest which has been fermenting in the Philippines seems to have come very definitely to a head. Last week, following what were described as "differences" over the authority of the Governor-General in matters relating to internal government, the Philippine Cabinet and Council of State resigned. What actually precipitated the crisis was Governor-General Wood's action in reinstating, as the outcome of an inquiry by a Board of Investigation, an officer in the Secret Service gambling squad who had been dismissed on a charge of accepting bribes. Accepting this as a straight out challenge and the culmination of deliberately laid plans to divest him of his powers over internal administration the Governor-General quietly accepted the resignations presented and appointed the Under-Secretaries of the departments to be Acting Secretaries during the interim. The Philippines' next move is announced in a *Reuter* cable published to-day which states that yesterday both houses of the Philippine legislature demanded of President Harding the immediate recall of Governor-General Wood and the appointment of a Filipino Governor-General. They demand also complete and absolute independence as the only solution of the present Government difficulty. Washington is bound to back up the Governor-General but the situation is a pretty ticklish one. Never very happy in her colonial enterprises, America has not found the Filipinos a very easy family to manage: rumour says she would quite frankly have handed them over to somebody else if this could have been done without loss of prestige. It is perhaps, however, not so much the fault of the children as of the unsettled policy of the parent body. The domestic storm which has been gathering in recent years has broken now upon the head of Governor-General Wood and the way the situation is handled may make or mar the country's future.

China's Social Fabric.

Mr. Chao Hsin-chu, the Chinese Chargé d'Affaires at London, is reported by *Reuter* to have read a paper at the centenary celebration of the Royal Asiatic Society in which he said the change in the social life of China during the last decade has been due mainly to the change in the form of government. We are inclined to disagree with Mr. Chao in this respect, although we admit that he is qualified to speak on the subject. Our chief contention is based on the fact that very few Chinese are interested in politics or government beyond the desire to know what is going on. The absence of public spirit has been remarked upon more than once. Hence we believe that as the masses do not take sufficient practical interest in their government, the change could have had little effect on their social life. We feel that the change is due more to contact with foreigners and to ideas spread by Chinese returned from abroad. The influence of environment has had much to do with the matter, for we do not see in the foreign settlements Chinese taking up dancing and favouring European clothes? Even the women who used to be secluded have been affected in that they now go in for many things hitherto undreamt of by their mothers. The suppression of bound feet was not due to the overthrow of the dynasty but to foreign teaching. Mr. Chao is also quoted as having said that the foundation of the social fabric of China is as good as over and that all that is necessary for success is a combination of kindred spirits and patriotism. We think that China's social fabric has deteriorated—though only slightly—in the last decade. That unquestioning obedience to elders and superiors has been shaken, but on the other hand, people are learning to think for themselves.

A Sober Thought.

Mr. D'Arcy Weatherbe—not Wetherby as stated by *Reuter*—who has been captured by brigands at Chiubo, between Olinchewachow and Likiang-fu, is a British commissioner in the employ of a London syndicate. A Peking message some weeks ago reported that Mr. Weatherbe was shortly leaving the capital, his headquarters in China, on a prospecting tour. His ultimate goal was Tibet, whence he intended to return to China via India. This latest bandit outrage involves a sober thought for the future of China. If such incidents can happen as frequently as has been the case during recent months, what do they signify for the standing of China among the nations? If the lives of foreigners are no

longer safe in the country, China can no longer continue to be recognised among the civilised nations, but will have to be relegated to a position among the backward peoples. There is no substitute for law and order among the modern nations. This is the first lesson that China must learn if she wishes to retain a permanent place in civilisation. The unfortunate part of the situation is that Chinese, on the whole, do not make the distinction which we make as between soldiers and police on the one hand, and bandits on the other: they regard all as belonging to the same not very respectable class of men to whom, if for the time being they happen to be employed by one of the tuchuns, the name soldiers or police is given; if by a similar person not officially recognised, the name bandits. No moral or social distinction between the two classes is recognised; thus, any opposition between them must necessarily be mercenary and unstable.

To-day's Poem.

(Madame Noy.)

Old Madam Noy hath stolen forth
To the church on the sands: nigh
Perranporth.
The winds are asleep on the ocean's
back,
The moon's ring faint and the sky
line black;
And when she is sure she's quite
alone
She grubs in the sand till she finds
a bone,
And her old face wrinkles with joy,
at the sight
As she buckles her cloak and is lost
in the night.
She has gotten her bone, but she
will not sup,
For safe in the cupboard she locks
it up
With an albatross' skull and three
slips of yew.
For a deed of magic she means to do
When a black-sail'd brig shall
appear at sea
And the moon is as large as large
can be;
For the skipper shall never his lady
wed,
But 'tis not yet time and she goes
to bed.
She has gone to bed and 'tis twelve
o'clock
When she hears from the cupboard
a muffled knock.
Once, twice, again, and then a
moan
And a voice that whispers, "Give
back my bone."
Old Madam Noy bath jump'd from
her bed
To the cupboard door she hath
press'd her head.
And clear as a bell there comes that
moan
And a whisper "Give back—give
back my bone."
She's opened the cupboard and
window wide
And hurled the talkative bone out-
side.
She watches it sink to the dewy
ground
And hears it fall with a whistling
sound.
When all of a sudden the moon
grows big
And over the sea glides a black-sail'd
brig.
And she curses her luck and the
bone in despair
But beneath comes a low mocking
laugh on the air.
—E. H. W. M.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 25.—Coronet Theatre; Leah Baird in "Don't Doubt Your Wife."
July 25.—World Theatre; Rosemary Theby and Hamilton Revelle in "Good Women."
July 25.—Star Theatre; Nicola, the World's Greatest Magician and Illusionist. Grand change of programme.
July 27.—Band Concert, Volunteer Parade Ground, 9.15 p.m.
PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
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VERY GENEROUS.

The charming wife of a French diplomat had never thoroughly mastered the English language. She was urging an American naval officer to attend a dinner, an invitation which he had already declined. The lady insisted that he must go, but the young officer said he could not possibly do so, as he had "buried his bridges behind him." The lady misunderstood the word.
"That will be all right," she exclaimed. "I will lend you a pair of my husband's."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Tilbury dock strike situation is easier, according to a *Reuter* cable from London. The bulk of the casual workers are still out, but the permanent hands are working.

A message to the *Daily Bulletin*, dated Peking July 24, reads:—It is reported from Canton that General Hsu Chung-chih is preparing to lead his forces against Waichow. In the North River district, the Northern troops have been forced to retire into Kiangsi.

The master of the steamer Mahidol reports that he has discovered the wreck of the steamer Rance, which went down a few months ago after a collision with the Boribai. She lies in 534 fathoms of water in lat. 1 deg. 51' N., long. 104 deg. 16'E.

Steamers from Chungking, report a fight there. Chau Hsi Cheng, the brigadier of the Kweichow troops, revolted against Yang Shen attacking the northern position, says a *Reuter* message. The "Alice Dollar" and the "Long Mow" were fired on and the U.S.S. "Monocacy" which was escorting the "Alice Dollar" came under heavy fire. She returned the fire and is said to have done considerable damage.

Both Houses of the Philippines Legislature, sitting as an independent commission, forwarded a resolution to President Harding, demanding the immediate recall of Governor-General Wood and the appointment of a Filipino Governor-General, states a *Reuter* cable from Manila. They also passed a resolution stating that complete and absolute independence was the only possible solution of the present Government difficulty.

For the 24 hours ending July 23, the following cases of notifiable diseases were reported: one paratyphoid (Indian) and one each small-pox, plague, diphtheria and enteric (all Chinese). The figures for the week ending July 21 read: plague 9 (4); small-pox 10 (8); enteric 8 (4); paratyphoid 1. The figures in parentheses indicate the number of deaths. In addition, six Chinese died from influenza, which is not a notifiable disease. For the 24 hours ending July 24, three cases of plague and one each of small-pox and enteric were reported. All the patients are Chinese.

According to a *Reuter* cable from New York, 75,000 people witnessed the fight between Benny Leonard and Lew Tindler for the world's light-weight championship. Tindler held the advantage during the first and second rounds only, after which the champion, using his left and an occasional swinging right, alternated with uppercuts, made his opponent miss repeatedly. Tindler seemed sluggish and took a considerable amount of punishment, especially in the last round, when Leonard had things all his own way. Tindler was reeling and apparently on the point of being knocked out, when the bell ended the unequal encounter.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A *Reuter* cable from Paris announces the death of M. Charles Dupuy, a former Premier.

Mr. W. Kay, of Queen's College, left to-day for Singapore and Sumatra, on summer vacation.

Prince Asaka, brother-in-law of the Japanese Emperor, and one of the victims of the tragic motor accident near Evreux, has sufficiently recovered to be brought to Paris from Bernay. He is now under the care of one of the best known French specialists.

Mr. Ma Wing-chun, one of the directors of Messrs. Sincere's, is celebrating his "big" birthday at the Yee Woo restaurant to-night when many leading members of the community will be present to do him honour. Mr. Ma has been prominently identified with most of the Colony's leading institutions, including the Chinese Y.M.C.A., of which he has been President.

Mr. Chao Hsin Chu, Chinese Chargé d'Affaires, gave a farewell luncheon on May 1 to Phya Sanpakitch, Siamese Chargé d'Affaires in London, who is shortly proceeding to take up his new post as Siamese Minister in Rome. The Italian Ambassador and Ambassador and Mr. Fan Yuan-Lien, ex-Minister of Education of China, were present.

Amongst the guests at the Lansdowne House ball, which was attended by the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry, and Prince George and was organised by the Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston in aid of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, were the Japanese Ambassador, who gave a dinner at Major's in connection with it, and Mr. T. Okamoto, and Mrs. Hayashi.

RELEASED.

CONSTABLES' SENTENCES COMMUTED.

INTERVIEW WITH C.S.P.

A police court case which occupied Mr. J. R. Wood's court for many days and which drew the attention of the Chinese public had its sequel yesterday when the Chinese detectives sentenced to short periods of hard labour for assaulting a Yaumati coal merchant were released, their sentences having been commuted.

It was alleged by the complainant that he had been grievously assaulted on the steam-launch "Tung Fat" in the Yaumati refuge by four Chinese detectives. The defendants put forward the defence that they went to arrest intending gamblers on the launch and after revealing their identities were resisted. They alleged that complainant received his injuries in falling against the stanchion of the launch. On Saturday last, Mr. Wood discharged one of the detectives. One was ordered to pay \$10 compensation; another was sentenced to seven days' hard labour while the last was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour and was also ordered to pay \$10 compensation.

Interviewed this morning, Mr. E.D.C. Wolfe, the Captain Superintendent of Police, said that H. E. The Governor had considered the case on the representations of the C.S.P. and after consultation with the law officers of the Crown, had decided to commute the men's sentences.

The local vernacular papers state that both the European and Chinese members of the detective staff were astonished at the decision of the Magistrate and were willing to subscribe \$20 each to retain a barrister to appeal against the sentence on the grounds of severity. They are stated to have protested to Mr. Wolfe who is stated to have taken steps to secure the men's release. Some of the reports go on to say that Mr. Wolfe addressed the Chinese detectives on the subject after the men's release.

LOCAL WEDDING.

LANE—NORMINGTON.

The wedding of Captain F. E. Lane of the a.s. "Taisang" to Miss Edna Normington took place this afternoon at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, the Rev. H. S. Bailey (Chaplain to the Bishop of Victoria) officiating, in the presence of a large number of friends. Captain Lane was accompanied by Mr. Charles Gerke as best man, whilst the bride had Mrs. E. Normington (sister-in-law) as chief attendant with the little Misses Joan Duckworth and Jennie Reynolds as bridesmaids. The bride's dress was of draped ivory satin embroidered with pearls. The tulle veil she wore was the gift of her aunt, Mrs. S. Normington of Leicester. Mr. F. Normington (brother) gave the bride away whilst Mrs. Normington (mother) was also present. After the ceremony a reception was held at 19 Humphreys Buildings where the happy couple received the congratulations of their friends and where the usual toasts were honoured.

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D'ARCY WEATHERBE.

LATEST VICTIM OF CHINA'S BANDITS.

[By Argus.]

Mr. D'Arcy Weatherbe the latest bandit victim, is a keen sportsman, and when Mr. A. G. Martin, H.B.M. Vice-Consul in Peking, in the winter of 1920, started a "bobbery pack" to hunt the drag, Mr. Weatherbe throughout the season generally "ran" the drag and superintended the building of the fences and the digging of the ditches. On one occasion, when he was among the followers, he had carefully warned the field to beware of an open ditch near the Agricultural College and offered to act as pilot to some of the strangers. Unfortunately, his pony took off too soon and came a terrible purler, rolling on Mr. Weatherbe and breaking a couple of his fingers. Despite his injuries, Mr. Weatherbe pluckily remained on till the end of the run and the next week was following the pack with his arm in a sling. When Mr. Weatherbe was home in the summer of 1921, he purchased a small pack of beagles, which he ran at his own expense in Peking the following season. Unfortunately, they proved too slow, but instead of the previous year's silent pack, the followers, at any rate, had "music" to follow. In addition to playing polo, Mr. Weatherbe generally had a pony or two in training and when he could get the weight he often "rode his own." In Armadillo he owned a useful gymkhana pony and a safe mount across country. His many friends will wish him a speedy release from the hands of the bandits.

TYPHOON WEATHER.

LOCAL STEAMER'S ROUGH PASSAGE.

When communications with Macao on Sunday were cut off after 2 p.m., it was feared that the Portuguese Colony had suffered badly in the typhoon. With the exception of three old Chinese houses being blown down, there fortunately appears to have been little damage done.

When the s.s. "Haitan" arrived here yesterday, her captain reported having had a very rough passage, which shifted the cargo and caused a heavy list. A fresh typhoon is reported to have been in longitude 121° E. and latitude 19° N. at 4.15 p.m. yesterday, when it was moving W.N.W. The Royal Observatory reports the typhoon as having been in about lat 19° N. and long. 122° E. at 6 a.m., when it was moving either W.N.W. or N.W.

SKIPPERS CAUTIONED.
The masters of the steamers "Nishiyama Maru," "Kirishima Maru" and "Mo Hon" were cautioned by Commander Beckwith at the Marine Court to-day for not shifting away during daylight to an anchorage for the night after the typhoon signal was hoisted on Saturday.

AFLOAT AGAIN.

STRANDED "SEISTAN" SAFE.

The s.s. "Seistan" owned by Messrs. H. M. H. Nemazee of Prince's Building, which ran ashore on the east end of Hainan, floated off with the high tide, it appears. At any rate, the owners informed the *China Mail* that the vessel had "got off without any assistance" and proceeded under her own steam to Hoihow.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory by the local American Consulate General.
4.15 p.m. July 24
Typhoon in about 125 deg. Long. E. 17 deg. Lat. N. moving W.N.W. 21.10 a.m. July 25, 1933.
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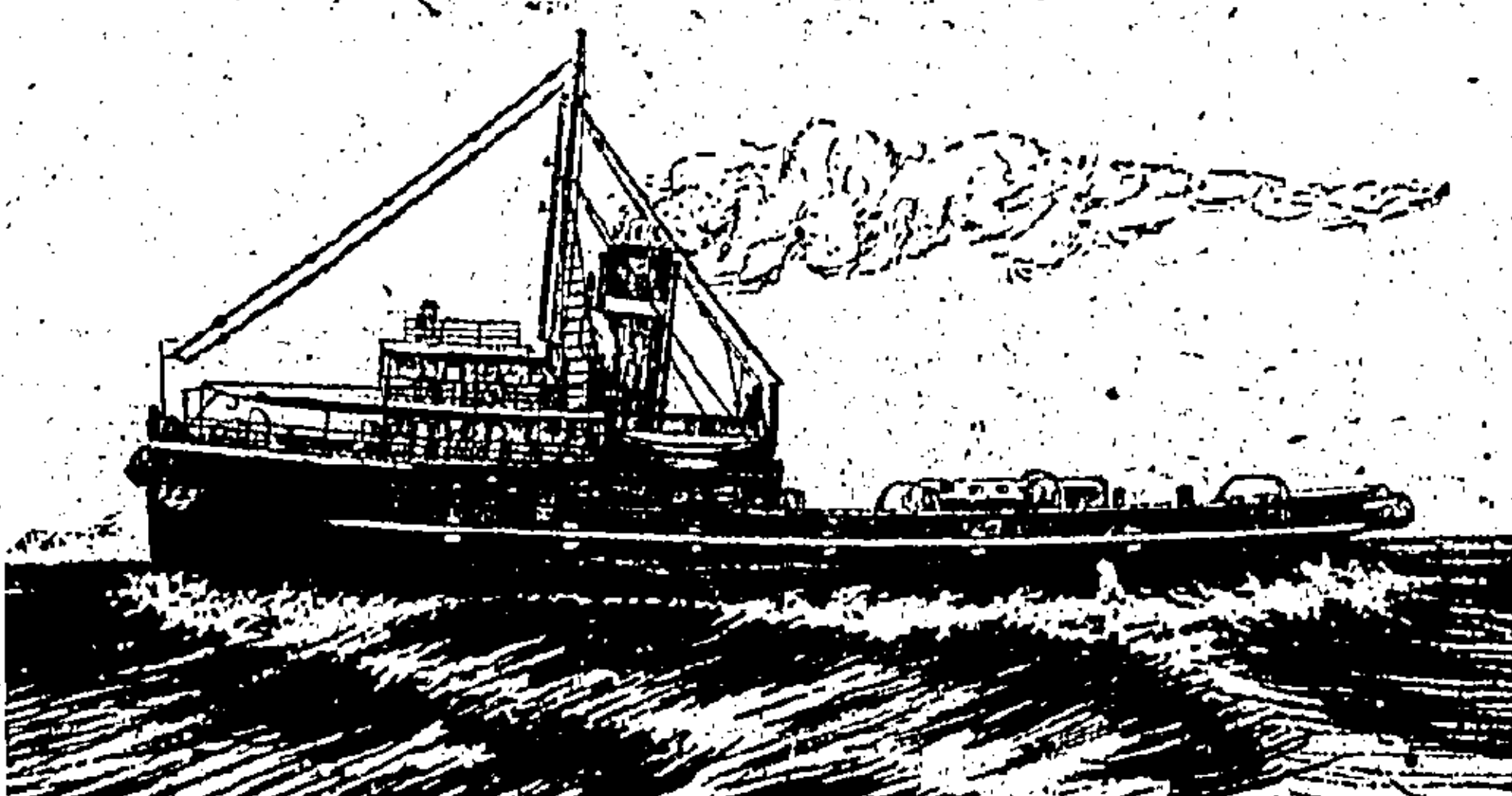
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CHINA COAST.

BRITISH STEAMERS IN THE EAST.

The statement made by Mr. Shinwell M.P. in the House of Commons with reference to British shipping in Chinese waters must not be allowed to pass without notice, says the *N.C.D. News*. He suggested that there were very strong comments all along the China Coast with regard to the section of the Merchant Shipping Act relating to the complement of officers to be carried aboard ships, this, let it be noted, in connection with a disaster off the Malayan coast resulting in the sinking of the steamer "Rance" after a collision with the steamer "Boribai". The Malayan coast is sufficiently far away from China to make the reference at first sight none too easy to grasp, and it must be admitted that the summary of Mr. Shinwell's remarks telegraphed to us suggests that he has made a misleading statement, one even prejudicial to shipping companies which operate in these waters and which have for so long maintained the best traditions of the mercantile marine.

In so much his remarks have been unfortunate, the more so as he undoubtedly had an excellent case to lay before Parliament. Mr. Shinwell was, of course, referring to the class of steamers employed in the trade, and to appreciate his point we must bear in mind that the Merchant Shipping Act lays down that in addition to the master such vessels must carry one other certificated deck officer. The leading British companies engaged in this trade do not content themselves with abiding solely by the provisions of this clause, but for the safety of their ships, their cargoes and the passengers they carry, employ not only a master but two certificated deck officers as well, and in some cases three. Experience as well as careful inquiry has shown that this is a full provision for the requirements of the case, and there can be no hint of complaint on the score of what these companies do.

The fact that such is the practice of these long-established firms may possibly be construed into an impeachment of the present utility of the Merchant Shipping Act, and in certain circles it is. When the Act was passed there was nothing like the amount of shipping in these waters—we are solely concerned with them—that is found to-day, and while it was doubtless sufficiently comprehensive when enacted, it is strongly contended by those intimate with present conditions that it is no longer so. This view was recently brought to the notice of politicians at Home by the China Coast Officers' Guild, but whether it is on this letter that Mr. Shinwell has based his remarks or upon some other information, we are unable to state. The position, brought out strongly in the case of the "Rance-Boribai" disaster—one involving considerable loss of life—is that in periods of stress, the provision of one officer in addition to the captain is inadequate, especially in view of the congestion of sea routes, and that an amendment is called for. Now, to return to Mr. Shinwell's statement, there are a certain number of British steamers trading in these waters which have only one deck officer in addition to the captain, but we believe that there are even more of other nationalities. A considerable number of Chinese companies, for instance, now run steamers, and they are subject to no Board of Trade laws. The only influence that can be brought to bear upon them to come into line with the practice of other steamers is that of the harbour and like authorities, and it is to the credit of the latter that so much has been achieved in the direction of the appointment of certificated officers. This and similar circumstances may have been responsible for a certain amount of confusion in a consideration of the facts at Home, and as likely as not has been responsible for the misleading character of Mr. Shinwell's statement.

In view, however, of the danger to navigation which may result when only the bare requirements of the Merchant Shipping Act as regards officers are complied with, the subject was an eminently proper one to ventilate in Parliament. The fact is that the "Boribai" carried only a master and one other officer, and at the

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Mr. W. Brown, the Hon. Secretary of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, has received the following letters of acknowledgment from the British Legion and from St. Dunstan's Home:

June 5th, 1928.
Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 25th April, together with draft for £100, that your Institution has so kindly sent in response to Field-Marshal Earl Haig's appeal.

The Field-Marshal has requested me to ask you to be kind enough to convey to your Chairman, Committee and to all those who are responsible for the kind action taken, an expression of his very grateful thanks.

I have pleasure in enclosing hitherto with the last Annual Report of the British Legion, together with a copy of our monthly magazine and some leaflets that have been lately published.

I also enclose an official receipt for your donation.

With renewed thanks, Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) W. G. WILLCOX,

(Captain, Organizing Secretary, Appeal & Publicity Dept., British Legion).

June 9, 1928.

Dear Sir,—We are most deeply grateful to the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong for the generous expression of sympathy represented by the very welcome remittance of £100 for St. Dunstan's fund which accompanies your letter of April 25.

I enclose our official receipt for this amount, and hope you will convey to your Committee, and through them to all subscribers, an expression of most cordial thanks on behalf of both St. Dunstan's Executive Council and the blinded ex-Servicemen themselves, who will so greatly benefit.

I also enclose our last annual report, and a booklet "All About St. Dunstan's," and have given instructions for a copy of our new Report to be sent to you as soon as it is out of the printers' hands.—With renewed thanks, Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) E. M. CHADWICK BATES

(Secretary).

A SPOILED ROMANCE.

He fell! True, it is a moment of overwhelming temptation—her upturned face, with rosy lips pursed. But still, as he crept sorrowfully away, he told himself that he had been a cad to steal that kiss. Even now he could see the sudden tears in her eyes.

His broken apology still rang in the little room where the girl lay sobbing on the couch.

"It's awful!" she sobbed. "To think he should have kissed me at last, and—then said he meant nothing by it! What does he think I gave him the chance for, the idiot!"

time of the collision with the "Rance" the master was asleep on the bridge. But for three days and nights he had been on duty, and as the court pointed out there were limits to human endurance. That was a perfect illustration of the case which the Coastal Officers' Guild wished to bring to notice. There is no question of any shortage of experienced officers, for unemployment in the mercantile marine is, unfortunately too common. What the Labour Party really wants, in common with others, is an amendment of the Act with the object of bringing all steamers into line with the practice adopted by so many companies. The moment, however, any Government measure of the kind might be introduced we should hear an outcry, and it would be pointed out that a measure such as that would drive many vessels to the shelter of other flags where less stringent regulations are in force. This is probably the bugbear facing any attempt at legislation, and it may be doubted whether the Government to-day feels itself strong enough to face the situation. Even so, there seems every reason why the reform should be urged, on the ground that not one ship only is there possibility of danger, but to all shipping.

RADIO-MARVEL.

NEW-VOICE HEARD IN THE LAND.

A new voice is heard in the land," writes O. B. McMeans in *Scribner's Magazine*.

It comes to join the chorus of those whose mission is to amuse, instruct, and advise the people. This new voice, speaking near and far, with the speed of light, over mountain and plain and sea, to limits which we dare not set short of the uttermost parts of the earth, is radio communication—partly, at least, its latest phase, radio telephone broadcasting. The printing-press and the motion-picture stand out as epoch-making instruments in telling the world what the world is doing. But radio broadcasting harks back to the primitive, the direct appeal by word of mouth, giving it new power as yet unmeasured. The orator may now speak to millions with less effort than formerly to hundreds. The "hear ye" of the town crier resounds not only through the village streets but is heard afar in city and country, even out on the trackless deep. The voice of the singer and the sweet harmony of the instrument remain not within the narrow confines of the audience-room but leap forth into space, scoring walls or other barriers, and finding charmed listeners wherever they may be.

Those who have been "listening in" with fair regularity recently must know that radio telephone broadcasting has advanced in America in the past year or so with strides that are difficult of comprehension.

A SPOT MAP.

A few days ago I purchased a map of the United States and Canada, and hung it on the wall of the little back room out at my home. This little room for a number of years has been the listening post where we have kept tab on the world's doing. The wall map has printed on it a series of bright-red spots and red letters indicating the location and official designation of the radio broadcasting stations now operating. Across the room it resembles somewhat the photograph which I once took of the back of our boy scout when his members were at their worst. In some regions of the map the red spots even crowd each other clear off into the ocean with red extension lines back to the location of the whole bunch, as at New York, Washington, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. How many spots on the map? Fortunately, there is also an alphabetical list printed below the map itself, making counting easy, and this totals up to eight hundred and twenty-five. Is it any wonder that with this number of broadcasters at work the air is full to overflowing any time you tap in?

THE GREAT AUDIENCE INVISIBLE.

This audience is remarkable and totally different in several ways from anything before known. Not only for the vast numbers is it notable, but in the perfection of the hearing of the music of the pipe-organ, and the choir which sings to its accompaniment betimes. As we all know only too well, in a company, of a few thousand, as ordinarily assembled to hear the music of an organ or other instrument, there will be many seated or standing around the outer edge of the throng who cannot hear plainly enough to enjoy the programme. But here we have, say, several hundred thousand, which might just as well be several million, each one of whom is hearing the music as plainly as if he had the best seat in the auditorium. Perhaps it was this satisfaction in the hearing that in part impelled a few thousand to write the letters of appreciation (mentioned above).

THE AUDIENCE AT HOME.

Another difference that marks the vast company of listeners is that they do not sit packed closely, row on row, in stuffy discomfort endured for the delight of the music. The good wife and I sat there quietly and comfortably alone in the little back room of our own home that Sunday night and drank in the harmony coming three hundred miles to us through the air. How easy it is to close the eyes and imagine the other listeners in little back rooms, in kitchens, dining-rooms, sitting-rooms, attics, in garages, offices, cabins, engine rooms, bungalows, cottages, mansions, hotels, apartments; one here, two there, a little company around a table away off yonder, each and all sitting and hearing with the same comfort just where they happen to be.

Work your imagination a trifle harder and see the snow-bound huts of the great northland, where fur-clad figures silently listen to the strains of the great organ. Then slip down to the islands of the South, where amid fringed palms,

little companies clad in summery white sit listening to that same choir and organ. Let fancy take you into hospital wards where helpless sufferers lie, smiling for a time as the pealing harmony rings out. Lead kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, lead them on. Is imagination weary with these flights, or will it still carry you on, hard pressing the flying ether-borne strains far out upon the vast deep, where, over the sea and under the sky, the great organ and the choir find still other hearers who sit in the great audience?

WHAT A COMPANY!

And all this is about one concert from only one of the eight hundred and twenty-five broadcasting stations marked in red on our map. What were the rest of these broadcasters doing that same night? Going strong, nearly every single one of them may be very sure, unless by great misfortune they had burned out the last spare bulb, or a storm had blown down the transmitting antenna. And they were all playing so great audiences of unseen listeners. How many radio listeners were there, all told, that Sunday night? Multiply the eight hundred and twenty-five stations by—what figure shall it be?—How many thousand listeners will it average to each one broadcaster? If we say a thousand, which seems quite conservative, then we have eight hundred and twenty-five thousand as the total. There is manifestly no way of checking up the calculation, but it is probable that the silent listeners on any one night will average several millions. What a company gathered for one purpose on a Sunday night!

There is a suggestive hint of the world-broadening and boundary-obliterating mission of radio broadcasting to those who listen here in the States to the nightly broadcasting of news, educational, and musical features from Havana and Winnipeg. The barriers in both these cases are slight, it is true, but the ether-waves know nothing of even the perfunctory official checking at the man-made lines to which everything material and visible is subjected in seeking to make the crossing from the Dominions of the King to the land of the free and home of the brave. It is here that one feels with full force the power of the radiophone to transport the listener in effect into the very presence of the speaker or other source of transmitted sound.

There are countless little details, which we count as minutiae of the speaker or more incidents of fleeting and minor nature, occurring in connection with any programme, which jump into importance when we listen a thousand miles away and find ourselves closing the eyes to fly instantly into the very theatre, presence of the speaker or other place of origin of the sounds, loud and feeble, intentional and accidental, which come with marvellous perfection of transmission through the stretches of empty nothingness to the very scene at the start of the flying waves. It is this atmosphere of local sounds, forming the scenery or setting for the formal numbers of music or spoken word, that carries the hearer from his humble listening post and sets him in a favoured seat in the great audience. CIVILISATION'S NEW HAND-MAIDEN.

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little companies clad in summery white sit listening to that same choir and organ. Let fancy take you into hospital wards where helpless sufferers lie, smiling for a time as the pealing harmony rings out. Lead kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, lead them on. Is imagination weary with these flights, or will it still carry you on, hard pressing the flying ether-borne strains far out upon the vast deep, where, over the sea and under the sky, the great organ and the choir find still other hearers who sit in the great audience?

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And all this is about one concert from only one of the eight hundred and twenty-five broadcasting stations marked in red on our map. What were the rest of these broadcasters doing that same night? Going strong, nearly every single one of them may be very sure, unless by great misfortune they had burned out the last spare bulb, or a storm had blown down the transmitting antenna. And they were all playing so great audiences of unseen listeners. How many radio listeners were there, all told, that Sunday night? Multiply the eight hundred and twenty-five stations by—what figure shall it be?—How many thousand listeners will it average to each one broadcaster? If we say a thousand, which seems quite conservative, then we have eight hundred and twenty-five thousand as the total. There is manifestly no way of checking up the calculation, but it is probable that the silent listeners on any one night will average several millions. What a company gathered for one purpose on a Sunday night!

There is a suggestive hint of the world-broadening and boundary-obliterating mission of radio broadcasting to those who listen here in the States to the nightly broadcasting of news, educational, and musical features from Havana and Winnipeg. The barriers in both these cases are slight, it is true, but the ether-waves know nothing of even the perfunctory official checking at the man-made lines to which everything material and visible is subjected in seeking to make the crossing from the Dominions of the King to the land of the free and home of the brave. It is here that one feels with full force the power of the radiophone to transport the listener in effect into the very presence of the speaker or other source of transmitted sound.

There are countless little details, which we count as minutiae of the speaker or more incidents of fleeting and minor nature, occurring in connection with any programme, which jump into importance when we listen a thousand miles away and find ourselves closing the eyes to fly instantly into the very theatre, presence of the speaker or other place of origin of the sounds, loud and feeble, intentional and accidental, which come with marvellous perfection of transmission through the stretches of empty nothingness to the very scene at the start of the flying waves. It is this atmosphere of local sounds, forming the scenery or setting for the formal numbers of music or spoken word, that carries the hearer from his humble listening post and sets him in a favoured seat in the great audience. CIVILISATION'S NEW HAND-MAIDEN.

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GARDEN ROAD BAND RECITAL.

The Concert at the Club Lusitano attracted us last night. There was at least a seat there, a cool drink or two, a smoke, a jolly good programme of music, and above all, a cordial welcome. Contrast this with the treatment we have received a few Tuesday evenings at the foot of Garden Road and it will be understood why our weakly flesh made its way to Ice House St. But we were represented at last night's military band recital by a trio of enthusiasts who had the temerity to applaud at least one item and thus roused the wonderment of not only the white-coated gentlemen upon whom the gods surely smile, but the members of the band as well. It caused a sensation. Orders were given that the traffic sign at the foot of Garden Road should have its ominous words pointed at this trio who dared, actually dared, to break the conventions and to cause something which might well have led to a riot. The orders were that the sign "Stop" was to be pointed, frantically, twice, at the delinquents and then the word "go" for a prolonged space of time—d—n the traffic. Unfortunately, the typhoon of course had already done its full work and the absence of the sign as a result thereof, was, as Mr. Claxton might have said, a distinct scientific disappointment. The situation was saved by the trio of tyros being tired, so to speak, of hanging on to the bars, having done this earlier in the evening, did the Arab trick—they packed their tents, and silently stole away. We should like to remind this artistic group, and all our readers, that the postponed band recital is to take place on Friday evening at Volunteer headquarters.

CLUB LUSITANO.

LAST NIGHT'S ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

One of those enjoyable entertainments for which the Club Lusitano is so justly famous, was held in the ball room at the Club House in Ice House Street last night and attracted quite a large attendance who obviously enjoyed a refreshingly diverse programme of the classic and the humorous. As is well known the ball room lends itself to such a gathering—it is not too large, it is cool, and it is tastefully furnished. A small orchestra opened the proceedings, and in quick succession there were items by Miss Amparo Rosello, Mr. E. G. and Master d'Aquino, Mr. J. M. Lopes, and Fred. Leeds and Miss Trixie Le Mar. Miss Rosello sang two such exacting items as "Ah for's e lui" from Verdi's "La Traviata" and "Mi Chi Amo Mi Mi" from Puccini's "La Boheme." In both she acquitted herself with artistic distinction. She has a voice of surpassing beauty and with experience should prove a decided acquisition to the musical life of the Colony. The d'Aquinos and Mr. Lopes were also in fine voice and added not a little to the success of the evening. Of Leeds and Miss Le Mar it only remains to say that they also were a decided success. They gave a show that is reminiscent of the best of the art of vaudeville. There is not a weak moment during the time they are on the stage, and possessed of good speaking and singing voices, their humorous patter and singing is readily understandable. Floral offerings for the ladies were a feature of the evening to say nothing of the appreciative applause which punctuated each effort to amuse and please. It was a very pleasant evening made more enjoyable by the generous Portuguese hospitality dispensed to visitors.

WORKING SMOOTHLY.

MUI TSAI AND CHILD LABOUR LAWS.

Mr. A. E. Wood, who is acting as Secretary for Chinese Affairs during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. E. R. Holford C.M.G., O.B.E., seen by a *China Mail* reporter this morning with regard to the working of the Child Labour and Mui Tsai Ordinances, said that since the new bills became law his department had met with few obstacles in seeing that the regulations were carried out. "On the other hand," said Mr. Wood, "the Chinese have assisted us in every way and things have been running as smoothly as the most sanguine supporter of the measure could have wished." With regard to the Child Labour Ordinance, Mr. Wood said that, since the law had been in operation, it had not been found necessary to institute a single prosecution. On a few occasions, warning, it is true, had been issued by the Inspector's Department, but in every case the orders had been complied with after the first visit of the official in charge of juvenile labour.

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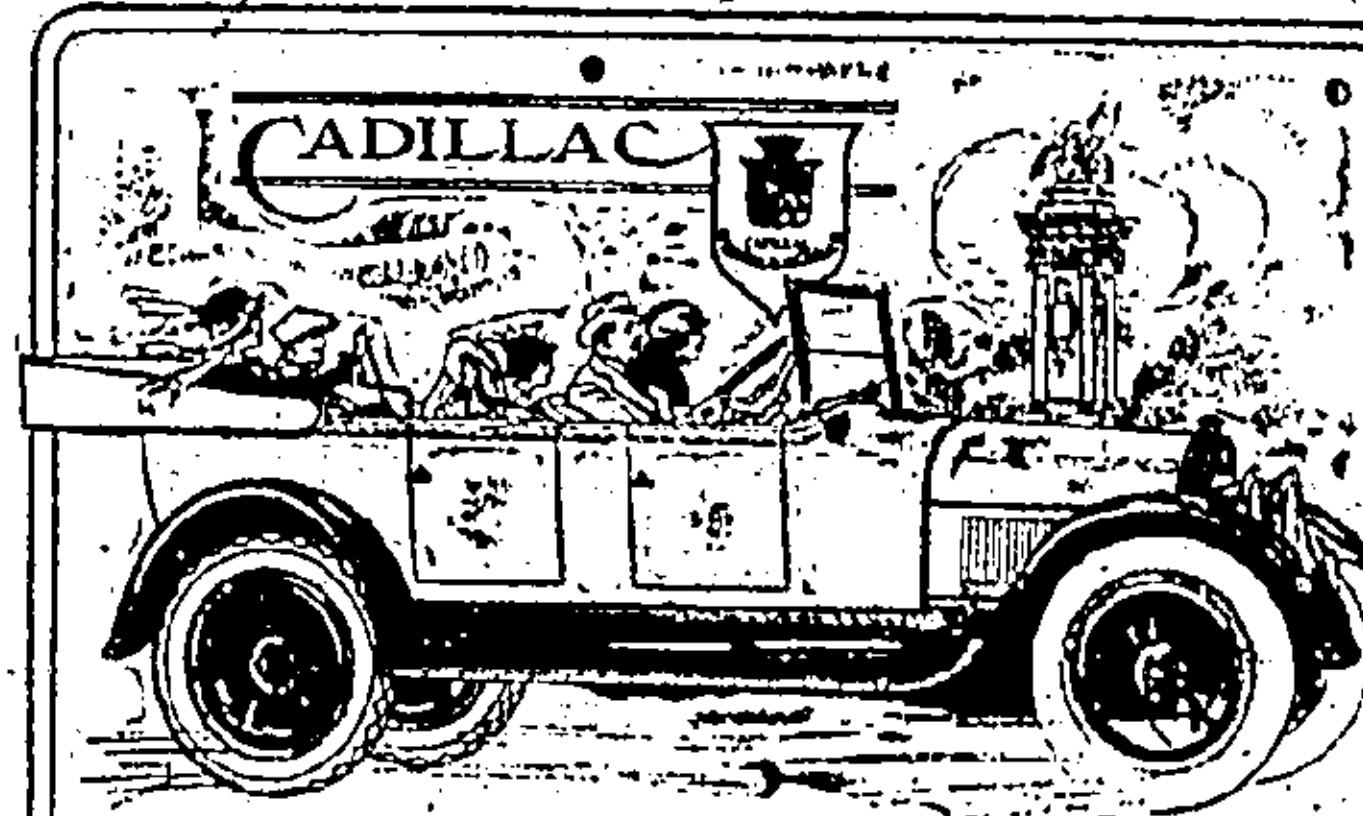
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CROWN PRINCE'S DEATH.

M. Maurice Paléologue, formerly head of the Political Department of the French Foreign Office and later Ambassador at Petrograd, has just given to the *Temps* what he declares to be the authentic story of the famous Mayerling tragedy of 1889. It will be recalled that the Crown Prince Rudolf of Austria, only son of the Emperor Francis Joseph, contracted a liaison with the young and beautiful Baroness Marie Vetsera, a member of one of the most prominent aristocratic families of Vienna, and that their deaths at the Imperial hunting-box of Mayerling created a mystery which down to the present has never been cleared up, although many different versions have been published. M. Paléologue states that the facts were given him by the late Empress Eugénie, who in her turn had them from the Empress Elizabeth, mother of Prince Rudolf, who was assassinated at Geneva in 1898. Preluding his statement with the remark that for him the mystery was long ago cleared up by the confidences which he received from the Empress Eugénie, and which he thinks it no longer inconvenient to divulge, he writes:

I had the honour of knowing the Empress Eugénie, and she rarely passed through Paris without affording me an opportunity of paying my respects to her. On July 16, 1906 when she arrived from a yachting cruise in the Adriatic, she summoned me to the Hotel Continental, where she was staying for a few days. I went at once, and our interview lasted two hours. After some conversation about the foreign policy of France she told me about a visit she had just paid to the Emperor Francis Joseph at Ischl.

M. Paléologue then reproduces the text of the note which he made after his conversation with the Empress. After some general observations on European politics, the Empress remarked that she was feeling very sad after her stay at Ischl. M. Paléologue continues: I then said: "Since your Majesty shows such confidence in me, may I ask whether, thanks to your relations with the Austrian Court, you have ever been able to clear up the Mayerling mystery?" I received several versions of the drama; they are all contradictory, and nearly all seem to me fantastic.

EX-EMPERESS'S STORY.

After a little hesitation, the Empress replied: "Yes, I know all about the Mayerling drama and I know it in such circumstances as permit me to fear no denial. I will tell you. Here are the facts. I heard them from the Empress Elizabeth herself when she was staying at Cap Martin. On January 29, 1889, the Emperor Francis Joseph had a very serious talk with his son on the subject of Mlle. Vetsera; the Emperor threatened to disinherit the Archduke if he did not immediately break off this scandalous liaison. The Emperor expressed himself in such violent terms that the Archduke, frightened, ended by consenting to separate from his mistress. He requested permission however, to see her for the last time in order to say farewell; he was, in fact, engaged to dine with her that evening at Mayerling, near Vienna.

"The Emperor consented. 'Go this evening but afterwards you will not see her again. Do not forget that I have your word of honour, your word as a gentleman.' Leaving the Hofburg, Rudolf took a fiacre driven by the man Bräufisch, and was taken to Mayerling, about ten or twelve miles from Vienna. There, in a hunting lodge, Marie Vetsera was awaiting him; in the company of Prince Philip of Coburg, brother of Ferdinand of Bulgaria, and Count Hoyos, ambassador of the former Austrian Ambassador at Paris. The dinner passed off very quietly; there was no orgy. The only amusement was listening to Bräufisch, who was famous for whistling and singing Tyrolean airs.

"At the end of the repast all retired to their apartments because they had to get up early in the morning for a hunt. The Archduke and Marie Vetsera had their rooms at one end of the lodge while Philip of

Coburg and Hoyos were at the other. As soon as Rudolf found himself alone with his mistress, he recounted the terrible discussion he had had with his father, and told of the promise he had been compelled to make under a threat of disinheritance. She replied, coldly: 'I also have something to tell you; I am enceinte.'

"Then, while the two lovers caressed each other, there was a terrible scene of mingled tenderness and despair. Each repeated to the other, 'We cannot live any longer! Let us die in each other's arms! Let us end it all to-night! God will have pity on us! In the paroxysm of their exaltation, Rudolf seized his revolver and killed Marie with a bullet in her breast. Then, having undressed her, he laid her gently on the bed. A few clusters of roses adorned the room. The Archduke collected the flowers and covered the corpse with them. After this he wrote a long letter to his mother, which began with these words, 'My mother—I have no longer the right to live. I have killed.'

"Towards six o'clock in the morning Rudolf killed himself with a bullet in the head. A couple of hours later the Archduke's valet, coming to awaken his master, tried in vain to open the door. Not getting any answer to his knocks, he went in search of Philip of Coburg and Hoyos. The three placed a ladder against the outside wall and entered the room by breaking the window. When Philip of Coburg and Hoyos reported the affair to the Emperor Francis Joseph, the latter made them swear that they would never say a word about the Mayerling drama to anybody. Both of them kept their word.

As the Empress Eugénie (who had just entered upon her 81st year) seems to be exhausted by the emotions of this long recital, I rise to take my congé. But she invites me to be seated again, and with a stronger voice continues:

"That is not all. It is often said that the suicide of the Archduke Rudolf dealt a fatal blow to the Habsburg dynasty from which it could never recover. I confess that in this connection I do not attach the least importance to the Mayerling drama. Instead of being called Rudolf, the heir of Francis Joseph is now called Francis Ferdinand; I do not think that the destinies of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy are greatly changed. But the private tragedy of January 29, 1889, has already had an enormous effect outside Austria, and will have serious repercussions on the moral and social conditions of the world. This is what I want to say.

EMPEROR AND POPE.

"On learning of the violent death of his son, the Emperor telegraphed immediately to Pope Leo XIII, asking him to authorise religious obsequies, in spite of the suicide. He added that if he did not receive this authorisation he would abdicate. Very much disturbed by the case of conscience thus laid before him, Leo XIII consulted the Cardinal Ruffini. The opinion of the Secretary of State was categorical; the conditions in which the Archduke had put an end to his life would not permit his burial according to the rites of the Church. The Holy Father sought for a compromise. In default of solemn obsequies, which would have scandalised many people, could not the Archduke be granted a private, secret funeral in the chapel of the Hofburg? Cardinal Rampolla strongly maintained his first opinion. Leo XIII then took the matter into his own hands, and replied to the Emperor that he would authorise the funeral, and to celebrate a secret funeral, and the burial of the Archduke was carried out with all ritual pomp. And this was a great consolation to the poor Emperor, who, in his heart, had already abdicated.

"Unfortunately, he knew of the obstinate resistance of Cardinal Rampolla, against whom he had the weakness to cherish a personal grudge. Thirteen and a half years later Leo XIII died. You will remember the fervour with which certain liberal spirits in the Catholic world desired the election of Cardinal Rampolla, but you will also remember that on the last day of the Conclave, at the decisive moment, the Cardinal-Bishop of Cracow, in the name of the Emperor Francis Joseph, pronounced an exclusive

veto against Cardinal Rampolla. And Cardinal Sarto was elected. Thus, then, but for the drama of Mayerling, the most and generous ideas of Leo XIII. would still be ruling the Catholic world.

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THE WOMAN'S VIEWPOINT.

DON'T DOUBT YOUR WIFE.

Every one will be interested in the Coronet's new picture, "Don't Doubt Your Wife." It is a story of every day people and treats a problem of our modern social life—divorce. If a husband has not faith in his wife; if he believes the tongues of gossip, if he judges by appearance rather than the truth, does marriage pay for a woman? These questions are answered in "Don't Doubt Your Wife." The feminine angle of a masculine viewpoint is presented and the story deals with several phases of domestic life, being replete with spectacular melodramatic twists of the story help to keep the action going at a rapid pace. It is a drama which answers the most vital questions between man and wife.

Another interesting picture is a film of the opening of the new Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building, at Shanghai. Several local residents who attended are shown on the screen.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

City of Manchester, (Bank Line) from Poochow.—A8.
Yan On, (Yan Woo) from Pak-hoi, Hoihow.—C38.
Java Arrow, (St. Oil Co.) from Calcutta.—Lafchikok.
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DEPARTURES.

Java Arrow, (St. Oil) for San Francisco.—July 25.
Hok Canton, (Hong On) for Fort Bayard.—July 25.
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Yunnan, (B. & S.) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—July 25.
Hwah Kuei, (Yuen Seng Fat) for Saigon.—July 25.

COOL CHEEK.

Little Johnny Jones recently celebrated his eighth birthday, and among the presents he received was an air-gun for shooting darts. Espying the cat next door seated on a wall, Johnny crept stealthily to within shooting range, and, taking steady aim, fired.

The cat gave a peculiar screech, and, with a mighty bound, disappeared.

Johnny at once proceeded to the house next door, and without the least fear, rang the bell.

"May I have my dart?" he asked, as a bespectacled old lady appeared.

"I haven't got your dart, my little man."

"No," said Johnny, calmly, "but your cat has!"

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COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG NOTES AND COMMENT.

LOCAL MISCELLANEOUS TRADE.

Continued activity is the keynote of the local piecegoods market as far as the business in cotton goods for the coming autumn is concerned. Buyers are fairly plentiful and most of them are optimistic this being due, chiefly, to the small amount of stocks being carried forward from last year.

One make of flannel handled by an old-established importer, which cost the dealers about 88 cents per yard was sold last week at \$1.00 to \$1.02 while to-day as much as \$1.10 was offered for it. Another quality which cost \$3.65 per yard is now being sold at \$4.60. Orders were placed last week for about 200 cases of rough navy blue serge at between 90 cents and \$1.00 per yard to arrive in time for this season and some of these "to arrive" lots have already changed hands at a profit each time.

There has been a slight decrease in orders for next season's spring goods as most of the dealers have bought large quantities. However, the total so far exceeds last year's corresponding period by about 30 per cent. Quite a number of cases of this season's cotton-goods were shipped away as soon as the West River steamers announced that they could take cargo direct to Wuchow.

COMPANY REPORTS.

SHANGHAI DOCK AND ENGINEERING CO.

The report of the directors of the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd., for presentation at the seventeenth annual general meeting to be held on July 26, states that the net profit for the year ending April 30, including the amount brought forward from last year, amounts to Tls. 516,534.76, after paying all charges and allowing for all known liabilities. This amount the directors recommended be dealt with as follows:

A dividend of Tls. 7.50 per share (10 per cent.)	Tls.
absorbing	414,000.00
Carry to new account	102,534.76
	Tls. 516,534.76

THE SHANGHAI COTTON MANUFACTURING CO.

At a meeting of the directors of the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (the Shanghai Boshoku Kabushiki Kaisha) held last week, it was decided that the shareholders be recommended to appropriate the balance of Shanghai Tls. 490,137.78 at credit of profit and loss account on June 30, 1923, as follows:

Place to Legal Reserve Fund	20,000.00
Dividend of Tls. 3.80 per share	280,000.00
Allow for depreciation	129,762.51
Carry forward	50,375.27
	Tls. 480,137.78

THE JAPAN COTTON TRADING CO.

The statement of accounts of the Nippon Menka Kabushiki Kaisha (Japan Cotton Trading Co., Ltd.) for the half-year ending March 31 shows a net profit of ¥9,064,803.10, to which there is added the surplus of ¥642,860.04 brought forward. These amounts have been allocated as follows:

Reserve funds	¥500,000.00
Directors' bonus	165,000.00
Dividend (22 per cent. per annum)	¥75.60
per old share, ¥1.374	
per new share	2,200,000.00
Carried forward to next half-yearly account	842,663.14
Total	¥9,707,663.14

AUSTRALIAN GROWN SUGAR.

The following news has been communicated by the Australian Trade Commissioner's Office, Shanghai:

The cane crop in Queensland is approximately expected to be in the vicinity of 2,104,712 tons. This will not be so heavy a cane yield per acre as in the previous season, but the higher sugar content in the cane is expected to produce a better yield of sugar. This was estimated by the Queensland Government statistician to be from 27,000 additional acres crushed in 1922. This statement is contained in the annual report of the Bureau of Sugar Experiment Stations, which was issued in February. If the estimated yield of 288,000 tons for the present season is realised, the value to Australia will be about £8,750,000. The production in New South Wales for the year 1922, states the report of the Bureau, should be about 17,000 tons of sugar, about the same as last year. This added to the Queensland yield will give 305,000 tons of sugar for Australia, which will again be a surplus over local consumption.

PROTECTING AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES.

The Australian Industries Preservation Act is proving to be an effective barrier against the importation of German and Austrian goods. Despite the fact that numerous circulars were sent out by large firms in Germany, Australian traders were not satisfied that it would be to their benefit to accept the offers made. The depreciation of the currency enabled the German trader to land goods in the Commonwealth at a figure that no Australian manufacturer could hope to compete against, and the result was that several shipments were detained pending enquiries. In one instance certain German mechanical toys which were invoiced at a penny each could not be produced and sold in Great Britain at 1/- each. Those goods were not ordered; it was a case of speculative shipping on the part of the manufacturers. The Chairman of the Australian Tariff Board (Major Oakley) has announced that, although the attack was very widespread, no German goods of any moment had got into the Commonwealth.

AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

Messrs. Arkell and Douglas in their last report write:—The wheat market, which continued to rule firm until about the middle of May, has since slackened, and at the time of writing is very dull. This is, no doubt, a reflection of the London and European markets, which at present are reported to be very quiet. A report from Chicago, to the effect that Russia would have an exportable surplus of about 140,000,000 bushels, may also have influenced the market; but this is hardly likely, as this report does not seem to be supported by shippers here, and "Broomhalls" journal estimate the surplus from this country at 16,000,000 bushels only.

In sympathy with the weaker demand for wheat, the flour market has also become much easier, and the outlook is certainly not nearly so bright as it was a few weeks ago. The contracts which kept the millers fully employed for a time are now nearing completion, and unless a change comes about speedily as regards overseas trade, a curtailment of the output will be inevitable.

The most welcome feature in Australia during the month was the appearance of the long-looked-for and timely rains. Throughout most of Australia good general rains have fallen, and all fears of a drought are now at an end. Nearly all the wheat belts have benefited, enabling farmers to commence seeding operations, and should good falls occur during the next few months the outlook for the next season's crop is very favourable.

Owing to the unfavourable conditions previously prevailing, it has been impossible to cultivate other than fallowed land, and it does not seem possible that there will be any increase in the acreage sown to wheat.

Consequent upon the decreasing supplies, the butter market has advanced considerably; the very dry weather experienced for the past five months has played havoc with the pastures and tended to make the decrease more marked, and there will be very little available for

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export after this month. Perhaps there is nothing to regret in this, as at the moment the London market is very depressed, and it is reported that 300 tons of Australian butter are being returned for re-sale here.

There is no improvement in the meat export trade, and for some weeks past the London market for mutton and lamb, as well as beef, has been seriously depressed. Heavy shipments of mutton were sent from Victoria during the season, and these were followed immediately by large consignments from New Zealand, and this has resulted in bringing about an overstocking of the market, and very low prices exist at present. Some shippers have even discussed the question of bringing back a quantity of this meat, but in view of the freight charges which would be involved, it is hardly likely that there will be any re-shipments. Practically all export of mutton and lamb has stopped. The export season for beef is now in progress in Queensland, and all freezing works are operating, but the killing is likely to be considerably below that of last year, partly on account of the

A ROVER'S END.
MURDERED BY MAN HE
BEFRIENDED.

James Mackenzie, 65, has been murdered by a companion whom he had befriended on a Canterbury sheep station, New Zealand.

Mackenzie was stated to have been a son of a celebrated Bishop of Lincoln, and is stated to have been born in the palace adjoining Lincoln Cathedral.

He had lived a roving, adventurous life. Recently he was caretaker at the leper station in Lyttelton Harbour, and devoted all his earnings to charity.

adverse season, and partly on account of the low state of the London market. A cable just received, however, states that a large contract for the supply of beef for the English Army has been secured to Australia, and this should make the outlook more hopeful for this industry.

FLYOSAN



The New York Police Department has equipped some of its motorcycles with wireless sets, and their value in the running down of criminals has been demonstrated. The aerial is erected on the sidecar of the motorcycle, which has a complete receiving apparatus. Motorcycle police on duty are thereby enabled to keep in constant touch with Police Headquarters and can be dispatched almost immediately to the scene of a crime.



The manner in which bicycle-riding on the long promenade decks of great ocean liners has leaped into popularity with transatlantic passengers has made it almost certain that all the large ocean greyhounds will shortly be equipped with bicycles. The decks are suitable for the sport, and the ocean air is invigorating enough to make it enjoyable. This photo of Miss Laura Walters was taken on the White Star liner "Majestic."



Stella Larrimore

Miss Stella Larrimore, actress, has announced that she will sue Geraldine Farrar, opera star, for \$1,000,000 for alleged defamation of character. Miss Farrar had named Miss Larrimore in her suit for divorce against Lou Tellegen, the actor, but the charge was withdrawn in court, and Miss Larrimore was judicially vindicated, Supreme Court Justice Lehman, ordering her name taken from the divorce complaint. She had demanded a jury trial to "clear her name."



William G. McAdoo

William G. McAdoo, former Secretary of the Treasury, soon will make formal announcement of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for President, according to his friends in Kansas City, who met and conferred with him there. The formal announcement, it is said, will be made in order that his strength may not be dissipated by the whipping of his followers into line for other candidates.



Samuel Rea

Open defiance of the Railroad Labour Board by the Pennsylvania Railroad, coupled with the fact that the Board apparently has accepted this defiance in meekness and humility, has led official Washington to believe that the Board cannot endure much longer. The official execution, according to plans now being perfected by its enemies, will take place soon after the new Congress convenes. Labour is bitter because of the manner in which the Board has accepted the flat refusal of Samuel Rea, Pennsylvania president, to abide by that body's decisions and its spokesmen have pointed out that when rail shopmen refused last year to accept an award lowering their wages the Board branded the shopmen's organizations as "outlaws."



Stanley Baldwin



Reginald McKenna

The appointment of Reginald McKenna by Premier Stanley Baldwin, to be Chancellor of the Exchequer in the new Cabinet has furnished a surprise and is regarded as a shrewd move by Baldwin in his efforts to strengthen the stability of his Government. The Premier himself will retain his former office as Chancellor for a few months until Mr. McKenna has sufficiently recovered from a recent illness to assume his new duties. Baldwin also is the new leader of the Conservative Party.



Mary Baker

Miss Mary Baker, is recognized as the "bravest girl in America." She has been awarded the American Red Cross "bravery" valour honour and the bravery medal of the Carnegie Institute as a tribute to her courage in making a valiant fight in Tampa Bay, Florida, last year to save Miss Dorothy McClatchie, a friend, who had been attacked by a barracuda while swimming. The girls were half a mile from shore when Miss McClatchie's leg was almost severed by the sea tiger. Swimming in a pool of blood, Miss Baker towed the dying girl to shore while sharks broke the water all about them, drinking in the victim's lifeblood.



John T. Adams

Chairman John T. Adams, of the Republican National Committee, has called upon Cordell G. Hull, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, to "set forth accurately and positively" his organization's position on the League of Nations question. He has asked whether the party's views on the matter are those of Woodrow Wilson or of Senator James Reed, of Missouri. Adams recently took issue with President Harding and other Republican leaders on the World Court problem, and the storm of discussion, pro and con, has apparently caused a serious split in Republican ranks.



Helen Wainwright, Gertrude Ederle, Alleen Riggie

Misses Helen Wainwright, Gertrude Ederle and Alleen Riggie, America's foremost girl swimmers, has returned from England where they were to have competed in British swimming meets against that nation's best. They were prevented from participating by the British Amateur Athletic Union, officials of which agreed with the ruling of the American Athletic Union against allowing United States athletes to compete abroad before the next Olympic meet. The girls—who came back with monacles, by the way—plan to continue their fight against what they deem autocratic assumption of power by the A.A.U.

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WEATHER REPORT.

July 24d. 16h. 05m.—Warning to
Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.—De-
pression or typhoon of unknown
intensity within 120 miles of Lat.
17° N. Long. 124° E. moving W.N.W.
July 25d. 10h. 05m.—Warning to
Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.—
Typhoon of unknown intensity
within 60 miles of Lat. 19° N. Long.
122° E. moving W.N.W.
July 25d. 10h. 58m.—Pressure
has decreased considerably at
Vladivostok and slightly from
Shanghai to S.W. Japan. It has
increased considerably from S.
Formosa to N. Luzon and is nearly
stationary from Hongkong to Indo-
China.

Depressions are shown over
Hokkaido and over S.W. China.
At 6 a.m. this morning the ty-
phoon was in about Lat. 19° N. Long.
122° E. moving W.N.W. or N.W.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 9.00 inch.
Total since January 1st, 35.74 inches.
Against an average of 38.35 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on July 25, 1923.
1.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds,
increasing to a gale.

2.—South coast of China between
Formosa and Luzon. E. winds,
freshening; fine at first, cloudy and
rainy later.

3.—North coast of China between
Formosa and Japan. S.E. or
variable winds, moderate to light.

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JULY 25, 1923.—a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer at Sea Level. Temperature. Humidity. Wind.

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